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SUBJ: RADIOS AND AID FOR MALDIVES

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1. EMBOFF DELIVERED LETTER FROM AMB TO GOM
AMB DIDI OCT 17 SETTING FORTH USG WILLINGNESS
PROVIDE 20 ITEMS OR RADIO EQUIPMENT TO ESTABLISH 19-
STATION VOICE COMMUNICATION NETWORK. URGENT NEED FOR
INFO ON FREQUENCIES WAS STRESSED AND AMB
DIDI SAID HE WOULD GET INFO RIGHT AWAY.

2. DIDI THEN TOLD EMBOFF THAT HE HAD RECENTLY TALKED TO
MALE AND HAD BEEN INSTRUCTED TO ASK WHETHER USG IN PRINCIPLE
WAS WILLING PROVIDE ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE TO GOM.
HE SAID GOM HAS SOME QUESTIONS ON THIS SCORE AND WOULD LIKE
CLARIFICATION.

3. EMBOFF NOTED THAT US HAD PREVIOUSLY PROVIDED RADIO
EQUIPMENT AND WOULD BE PROVIDING MORE, HAD BEEN
PROVIDING SCHOLARSHIPS FOR MALDIVIAN STUDENTS TO ATTEND
AUB, AND HAD BEEN WILLING PROVIDE COMMODITIES FOR CARE
PROGRAM WHICH HAD NOT MATERIALIZED DUE TO WISHES OF GOM.
THIS SHOULD INDICATE THAT USG IS WILLING TO ASSIST WHERE
POSSIBLE. ALSO NOTED, HOWEVER, WAS FACT THAT USG FACES
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CONSTRAINTS --BUDGETARY, LEGISLATIVE, AND PRACTICAL --
IN PROVIDING ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE. AS RESULT WE COULD

NOT RESPOND POSITIVELY TO ANY AND ALL REQUESTS. EMBOFF
SAID GOM'S REQUEST FOR CLARIFICATION WOULD BE TRANSMITTED
TO ZSSHINGTON AND RESPONSE WOULD BE PROVIDED WHEN ANSWER
RECEIVED.

4. COMMENT: REQUEST DEPTS GUIDANCE FOR APPROPRIATE RESPONSE
TO GOM. FYI: DURING CONVERSATION DIDI MENTIONED, BUT NOT
IN NATURE OF FORMAL OR INFORMAL REQUEST, THAT GOM MIGHT
WANT HELP TO EXTEND RUNWAY AT HULULE AIRPORT SO IT COULD
HANDLE LARGER PASSENGER AIRCRAFT AND ALSO MENTIONED
DESIRE TO SET UP FISH-CANNING FACTORY. END FYI. WE DO
NOT KNOW WHY GOM HAS RAISED QUESTION AT THIS TIME,
PARTICULARLY WHEN USG HAS JUST INDICATED INTENTION PROVIDE
EQUIPMENT FOR VOICE RADIO NETWORK. IT IS SIMILAR, HOWEVER,
TO APPROACHES SOMETIMES MADE TO AMERICAN OFFICIALS WHEN THEY HAVE
VISITED MALE.
VAN HOLLEN

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